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# Secretary's Advisory Committee on Organ & Tissue Recovery

Thursday, June 15, 2006

The Crowne Plaza Hotel – Board Room

4402 E Washington Ave

Madison, Wisconsin

## Meeting Notes

1. **Introductions and Opening Remarks.** Ron Hermes the Legislative Liaison for the Department of Health and Family Services called the meeting to order and spoke to the purpose of the committee and the role of the Department in staffing and other support for the committee. He also discussed his personal connection to donation by sharing the story of his brother who received a kidney transplant and who, upon his death, wanted to become a donor himself.
2. **Committee Logistics.** Martha Mallon the program manager for the Department's Organ & Tissue Donor Program distributed binders for the group which included member contact information, meeting dates and locations, and the use of Mediasite technology for recording the meetings and allow internet participation.
3. **Act 230 History and Background.** Richard Sweet a senior staff attorney with the Wisconsin Legislative Council described the history of Act 230 and the provisions of the legislation. Jay Campbell pointed out that the law requires the form to be used for donors that are declared brain dead only. A discussion ensued and the Committee decided that the intent was for the form to be required for all potential donors who are coroner/medical examiner cases.
4. **Public Comment.** None.
5. **Selection of Committee Chair(s).** A motion was made by Al Klimek and seconded by Dr. D'Alessandro to have the Committee have two co-chairs. Motion carried. Al Klimek made a motion to select Dr. D'Alessandro and John Stanley as co-chairs. The motion was seconded by Traci England. Motion carried. Dr. D'Alessandro began chairing the meeting and John Stanley is to chair the next.
6. **Forms Development and Review of Samples.** Several sample forms were distributed and discussed. John Stanley made a motion that the Committee develops forms that contain both external and internal examination findings. Dr. D'Alessandro seconded and the motion carried. Jay Campbell made a motion for the Committee to (1) develop and three-part form: external findings; internal organ findings; and internal tissue findings; and (2) begin with Gift of Life Michigan's Medical Examiner Information Form; and (3) consider having the form separately adopted for tissue and organ recovery.

Next Meeting: Thursday June 29, 2006; Aurora Health Clinic, Waukesha.